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Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal

Letter dated 3 December 1997 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith copy of a letter dated 18 November 1997 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General informing him that his Government had designated Mr. Victor Yenyi Olungu to replace Mr. Balanda Mikuin Leliel as its candidate for the United Nations Administrative Tribunal. The letter sent by the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo contains the curriculum vitae of the new candidate.

As you will recall, by the time of the receipt of the letter from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Fifth Committee had already met on 7 November 1997 and recommended to the General Assembly the appointment of Mr. Chittharanjan Felix Amerasinghe, Mr. Balanda Mikuin Leliel and Mr. Hubert Thierry as members of the Tribunal for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1998. The General Assembly was scheduled to take up the report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/674) containing the Committee's recommendation on Thursday, 20 November 1997.

However, in the light of the information received by the Secretary-General, the General Assembly agreed to postpone to a later date the appointment of three members to the Tribunal, so that the Fifth Committee could review the situation with regard to the appointment of a candidate from the Democratic Republic of the Congo. It was understood that this did not affect the recommendation made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly in document A/52/674 to appoint Messrs Amerasinghe and Thierry to the Tribunal.

(Signed) Hennadiy UDOVENKO

ANNEX

[Original: French]

Letter dated 18 November 1997 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Acting upon instructions from my Government I have the honour to inform you that the Democratic Republic of the Congo has nominated a senior magistrate, Mr. Victor Yenyi Olungu, Advocate-General of the Republic, as candidate for the United Nations Administrative Tribunal to replace Professor Balanda Mikuin Leliel.

Attached please find Mr. Yenyi Olungu's curriculum vitae (see appendix).

(Signed) André Mwanba KAPANGA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

APPENDIX

Curriculum vitae of Mr. Yenyi Olungu, Victor, Advocate-General of the Republic

- Born in Onyumbe (Lodja), District of Sankuru on 11 November 1942.
- Married to Sandja Like Pauline and father of six children.
- Attended primary school at the Catholic mission of Lodja.
- Graduated from the Collège Saint Louis in Kananga in Greco-Latin Humanities in 1965.
- Degree in philosophy from Lovanium University, 1968.
- Law degree from Kinshasa University, July 1972.
- Deputy government procurator from 8 December 1972 to 24 September 1976.
- First deputy government procurator from 24 September 1976 to 27 December 1979.
- Deputy procurator-general from 27 December 1979 to 31 July 1987.
- Advocate-general of the Court of Appeal from 31 July 1987 to 29 November 1990.
- Procurator-general from 29 November 1990 to 24 April 1992.
- Advocate-General of the Republic: 24 April 1992 to present.
- Representative of public institutions (magistrature) at the National Sovereign Conference: 1991-1992.
- Principal private secretary to the Minister of Justice and Keeper of the Seals: 1993-1994.
- Representative of the Republic of Zaire to the World Conference on Human Rights held in Vienna from 14 to 25 June 1993.
- Representative of the Republic of Zaire to the Cairo consultation on mechanisms for the prevention, management and resolution of conflicts in Africa held by the Arab Republic of Egypt, the Organization of African Unity, and the International Peace Academy of New York from 7 to 14 May 1994.
- Representative of the Republic of Zaire to the Regional Conference on Assistance to Refugees, Returnees and Displaced Persons in the Great Lakes Region held at Bujumbura from 12 to 17 February 1995.

- Dissertation on access by private individuals to international organizations.

- Published work: "Evolution du droit constitutionnel zaïrois: cas de l'acte du conclave et l'acte constitutionnel de la transition" in Justice et Paix No. 14.